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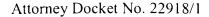
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DECLARATION OF THOMAS M. SAUNDERS

Dear Sir:

- I, Thomas M. Saunders, hereby declare that:
- 1. I am a Partner at the law firm of Brown Rudnick Berlack Israels LLP;
- 2. I am the attorney of record in connection with the above-referenced patent application and have been since the application was filed on February 22, 2002, and from filing of the provisional application on February 23, 2001;
- 3. When the above-referenced application was filed in February, 2002, I was a Partner at the law firm of Lorusso & Loud;
 - 4. I began my employment at Brown Rudnick Berlack Israels LLP on April 28, 2002;
 - 5. An Information Disclosure statement was filed in the application on June 7, 2002;

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6. A Revocation and New Power of Attorney was filed in the application on July 15, 2002, a copy of which is enclosed;

- 7. I called the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in late 2002 to inquire about Publication of the above-referenced case and was told that there was a delay;
- 8. A Status Inquiry was filed in connection with the above-referenced case on December 20, 2002 (Exhibit 1);
 - 9. A return postcard was received for the Status Inquiry (Exhibit 2);
- 10. A Notice of Acceptance of Power of Attorney was received on February 6, 2003 from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the application (Exhibit 3);
- 11. On March 18, 2003, in the course of again checking the Status of the application, the Brown Rudnick Berlack Israels LLP Docket Clerk, June Kaps, called the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and found that the application had been abandoned;
- 12. As a result of that call, a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application, with a mailing date of March 18, 2002, was immediately sent by fax to Brown Rudnick Berlack Israels LLP, on March 18, 2003. This is the first time Lorusso & Loud or Brown Rudnick Berlack Israels LLP saw the Notice to File Missing Parts;
- 13. The above referenced application became abandoned for failure to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application;
- 14. The entire period of delay between May 18, 2002, the initial due date for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts, and the execution date of this declaration was unavoidable, or, in the alternative, unintentional and was not based on any intent to abandon the application;
- 15. No Notice to File Missing Parts was received by either Lorusso & Loud or Brown Rudnick Berlack Israels LLP (until March 18, 2003);
- 16. No Notice of Abandonment has yet been received at either Lorusso & Loud or Brown Rudnick Berlack Israels LLP;

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A copy of the regularly maintained docket sheets from Lorusso & Loud for the time 17. period of April 18, 2002 through May 18, 2002 is enclosed (serial numbers are redacted for client confidentiality) (Exhibit 4). For a Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application dated March 18, 2002, in ordinary course of business, the Lorusso & Loud Docket Clerk would have entered the Notice as a reminder due date in 1 month on April 18, 2002 and "due date" on May 18, 2002 (Declaration of Margaret Ritchie (Exhibit 5)). The client matter identifier for this matter at Lorusso & Loud was BOL-101. No BOL-101 entry appears.

- The file jacket for this application was searched and no Notice was found; and 18.
- Declarations of June Kaps, Docket Clerk at the law firm of Brown Rudnick Berlack 19. Israels LLP (Exhibit 6), Michelle Phinney (Exhibit 7), and Sandra Graves (Exhibit 8), both Legal Executive Assistants supporting Thomas M. Saunders at Brown Rudnick Berlack Israels LLP.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements were made on information and belief and are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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